

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first paragraph after the title on page 1 of the present specification as follows:

This application is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/JP99/06881, filed 08 December 1999, now Publication No. WO 00/34490, published 15 June 2000 in English; which claims priority to JP 10-350584, filed 09 December 1998.